SUFFOLK COUNTY LEGISLATOR KARA HAHN



FIFTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

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LIFESAVING DRUG OVERDOSE TRAINING TO BE OFFERED

SETAUKET, NY – In the continuing battle against the opiate and painkiller epidemic, health officials will offer to the public a free Naloxone training session sponsored by Suffolk County Legislator Kara Hahn. The seminar will be held at the Setauket Fire House on September 10, 2014 at 6 pm and will teach participants how to recognize an overdose and how to administer Naloxone more commonly known as Narcan.

Last year, Legislator Kara Hahn sponsored legislation that allowed the Department of Health Services to obtain New York State's approval to become a certified Narcan training center and teach individuals about the warning signs of an opiate overdose as well as how to administer treatments to victims. This followed the success of an expanded Narcan pilot program that Legislator Hahn established in 2012. That program is credited with saving over 230 lives to date.

"It is important that non-medical personnel get trained to administer Narcan because it is often the family and friends of a victim who are first on the scene when someone is overdosing," Legislator Hahn said. "I believe that there needs to be as many people as possible trained on what to do if they encounter such a horrific situation."

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Pre-registration is required for this free training. To register please call Legislator Hahn's office at (631) 854-1650.

NARCAN TRAINING DETAILS:

DAY: Tuesday, September 10, 2014

TIME: 6:00PM

LOCATION: Setauket Fire House

Meeting Room

190 Main Street

Setauket, New York 11733

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